APPENDIX

[Vide answer to starred question No. 58 asked by Sri T. Viswanatham at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 5th November 1952, page 188 supra.]

Copy of Proceedings of the Additional District Magistrate of North Arcot, Vellore, dated 4th July 1952.

1	Name of the—	
	(a) Station	Katpadi.
	(b) Village	Katpadi.
	(c) Taluk	Vellore.
2	Complainant's name	Report, dated 2nd June 1952, from the Inspector of Police, Vellore Town, in Crime No. 219/52 of Katpadi Police Station.
3	Name of accused	....
4	Offence, with law and section under which punishable.	Death of one Rajagopal Naidu. "Cause of death—not known."
5	Explanation of any delay evidenced by dates in docket (outside).	....
6	Order to the Police, regarding making, or refraining from making further investigation and with regard to the bond, if any, executed by the accused.	..
7	Brief statement of facts of the case and reasons for the order.	Inquest on the dead body of Rajagopal Naidu was held by me on 3rd June 1952. The panchayatdars were of opinion that the deceased would appear to have died

of natural causes—"Fits". Except Rajabai, the concubine of the deceased, none else of the available witnesses in the case, imputes aggressiveness to the Police. Even Rajabai's version is that the deceased was slapped on the face by the Police. In the absence of any injuries on the body of the deceased (except for a small superficial injury near the left eye) it is hard to accept Rajabai's accusation and much less to conceive that the deceased would have died as a result of the slapping. There is, in fact, no

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reason for the Police to assault the deceased, as the complaint before them (of the Rajabai against her married husband), was not one warranting their interference and particularly against the deceased. On the other hand, there is good reason to conclude that in order to divert any possible wrath of the deceased's relatives against herself at his death, she resolved to blame the Police. The Post-mortem certificate and certificate of the Chemical Examiner to Government reveal that death was due to natural causes. It would therefore be treated as a case of death due to natural causes.

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